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WEATHER—Cloudy tonight, probably rain Saturday; warmer, light south wind. OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, FRIDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 24, 1909. 14 PAGES VOL. LXXII No. 126.

ENGINE EXPLODES; TWELVE MEN ARE KILLED

ZELAYAN ARMY COMPLETELY WIPED OUT

Out of 3000 Men Only 500 Make Escape From Their Victorious Foes

INSURGENTS TRIUMPH AFTER 2 DAYS' FIGHTING

Women and Children Are in Battle Line Rather Than Starve in Camp

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—A rumor gained currency here today that President Madriz of Nicaragua had resigned.

Efforts to trace its source proved unavailing, although the representatives of the Estrada party in this city had written word to the same effect. They, however, vouchsafe nothing definite nor could the other Central American diplomats.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—To relieve the starvation of the captured soldiers of the Zelayan army at Rama and furnish much-needed aid to soldiers of both the Nicaraguan government forces and the insurgents who were injured in the battle near Rama, the United States government today ordered the transport Prairie, now at Colon, to take on board \$5000 worth of staple supplies secured by funds of the American Red Cross Society, and proceed with all possible haste to Bluefields.

BLUEFIELDS, Nicaragua, Dec. 24.—The details of the battle of Rama are now known. The victory of the insurgents was as complete as has been claimed by them.

After two days of fighting, the forces of Central America have been repulsed. General Estrada on Tuesday morning, with 3000 men, defeated the army of 3000 men but 500 escaped. The killed and wounded on both sides, as before reported, numbered 600, and 1800 of the government troops surrendered after desperate fighting. Three Hotchkiss and four Maxim guns, 200 rifles and a million rounds of ammunition were included in the booty.

INTRADA CONFIDENT

General Estrada professes to believe his march to Managua will be unopposed.

Bluefields and the neighboring country is delirious with joy. The victory is said to have been won on the very day scheduled for the inauguration of Dr. Madriz as president of Nicaragua in succession to Zelaya.

General Luis Mena is again here. His troops arrived on the scene of battle when victory was in the balance and turned the tide in favor of the insurgents.

AMERICAN MAN HOSPITAL

At the request of United States Consul Moffatt, Commander Shipley of the United States cruiser Des Moines sent his hospital squad ashore and began an independent hospital, where forty of the wounded are receiving care.

The American medical men have been able to give their services to all who were in need of them.

Six Americans participated in the battle, operating rapid fire guns. They escaped injury with the exception of one named Bashford, who received three bullets in his leg.

The prisoners include General Gonzales and General Castillo. General

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POLITE THIEVES RETURN USELESS LOOT TO OWNER

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—"The nicest robbers we ever had dealings with," is the verdict on thieves who moved a safe from the store of C. J. Seales last Saturday forenoon. Mr. Seales received the safe yesterday by express, charges prepaid.

There were a few marks on the door, said Mr. Seales, "but otherwise the safe was all right. It was published in the papers that the safe contained keepsakes and papers of value to me, but worthless to any other person. So they think the thieves were polite enough to send my property back when they found they could get nothing for it."

ELEPHANTS ARE SCARCE IN THE ISLAND OF CUBA

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The scarcity of elephants in Cuba has caused a Cuban planter to refuse to accept a shipment of machinery delivered to his order by a New York manufacturer.

The contract called for light machinery that could be packed inland on mules, but the planter's complaint recited that when the crates arrived they could only be carried by elephants.

When the case came up in court here the defense argued that the planter's real grievance was the failure of his crop to realize more than 30,000 pounds, when he had expected 600,000.

COOK THROWN OUT BY THE EXPLORERS' CLUB

His Alleged Ascent of Mount McKinley Declared to Be Deliberate Fake

FIRST MEMBER TO BE DISHONORED

When Question Comes to Final Vote Bowed Heads Tell Decision

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Explorers' Club this afternoon accepted, by a unanimous vote, the report of its committee which decided Dr. Cook did not ascend Mt. McKinley, and he was expelled from membership.

The club, which has been investigating the claim of Dr. Cook, decided that he had reached the summit of Mt. McKinley, today reported to the board of governors of that club that, after exhaustive investigation, it failed to find any evidence to support Dr. Cook's claim.

PURPOSELY DISAPPEARED

The committee said it had made every effort to obtain information from Dr. Cook on the Mount McKinley expedition, and that Dr. Cook appeared before the committee on October 17th last and promised to submit data and other information, which he failed to do, and that the committee believes he purposely disappeared.

ON SCIENTIFIC TESTIMONY

The committee said its report against Dr. Cook was based entirely on scientific testimony.

The committee consisted of Anthony Miala, the Arctic explorer and friend of Dr. Cook; Frederick S. Billings, president of the American Museum of Natural History; and Marshall S. Saville, of the chair of archaeology in Columbia University.

Walter G. Clark, Charles J. Townsend, director of the New York Aquarium; Henry C. Waite, secretary of the Explorers' Club, and Casper Whitney.

EXPLORER EXPELLED

The committee's report was accepted without discussion and the motion to expel Dr. Cook from membership was passed by all of the members rising and silently bowing their heads. It was the first time any member had been so dishonored.

Wife Fails to Prove Husband Is Brutal

When Ida Zell told Superior Judge Harris in her suit for a divorce from Godfred Zell that her husband insisted upon her joining a church to improve her moral character, and then became quarrelsome and nagged at her when she refused, he decided that this alone did not constitute extreme cruelty and asked for more proof that Zell was a brutal husband. Mrs. Zell could not furnish it so last evening the court denied her a decree.

Cardinal Satolli Is Reported to Be Worse

ROME, Dec. 24.—The condition of Cardinal Satolli became suddenly worse today because of blood poisoning, from which he has suffered. Receiving cablegrams from Cardinal Gibbons and Archbishop Parley, the prelate commented: "My American friends give me my last consolation."

BRAWLERS MAY HAVE BEEN SOCIETY MEN

Gossip Intimates That Mysterious Arrests Involved Shields Brothers

ROW IN FRONT OF CAFE IN WEE SMALL HOURS

Police Interfere But Case Is Settled With Dispatch; Mystery Prevails

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Were Dr. J. Wilson Shields, the well known amateur actor, clubman and society favorite, and his brother, Charles H. Shields, capitalist and member of the smart set, engaged in a scuffling match in front of the Oyster Loft at 3 o'clock this morning and duly escorted to police headquarters and booked for disturbing the peace? The prison register reads:

"John W. Shields, aged 40, occupation doctor, charge disturbing the peace, bail \$10;

"Charles H. Shields, aged 42, occupation capitalist, charge disturbing the peace, bail \$10."

Whether the two Shields above mentioned are the two Shields so well known to San Francisco society, and such prominent members of the Bohemian Club, is not known for certain. Officers Finnell and McConnell, who arrested them, claim that they do not know for certain.

LATE DISPUTE

The two policemen were attracted to the Oyster Loft in the wee small hours by a loud dispute between two men as to whether or not they would go home in an automobile. The fracas began to assume more than ordinary proportions and the knights of the blue uniform believed that it was time to interfere. The two revelers were arrested at being arrested, and in outraged tones whispered to the patrolman that such a thing had never occurred before and that bail must be found quick.

Accordingly they proceeded to bond and Warrant Clerk Kennedy, who lay calmly sleeping upstairs in the Hall of Justice, and he made out releases upon the deposit of \$10 each. The case was duly called at Judge Shortall's court and neither the doctor nor the capitalist put in an appearance.

The bail was forfeited, and the case stricken from the calendar. Policemen Finnell, however, whispered a fellow patrolman that he had apprehended two celebrities, and further whispering had it that they were members of the Bohemian Club.

Christmas Gift for District Attorney

The attaches of his office presented District Attorney William M. Donahue this morning with their Christmas token of esteem in which he is held by them. The presentation was made in the district attorney's private office by Chief Deputy District Attorney Bill M. Carey.

In the presence of the donors and Sir, prior judges Harris, Waite, Brown and Wells and Mr. Donahue made a feeling and clever reply to the address. Those who contributed to the splendid gift were: Assistant District Attorney H. A. Hyatt, Chief Deputy Clerk, Deputies Burpee, Bartlett, Clark, Rogers and Smith; County Director Lunsford, Clerk Ellison and the Messrs. Judges, Riley and Wood, office stenographers.

Maid-in-Waiting to Queen Is in New York

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Miss Constantine Grouss, who as maid in waiting to Queen Helena of Italy, accompanied her through her Alessandria earthquake tour, arrived here late last night on the steamer Princess Irene from Genoa. She was met by a representative of the Italian embassy from Washington and left today for the West. She is on her way to San Francisco to be married.

Trust Co. Employees Get \$50,000 for Xmas

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Central Trust Company has set aside \$50,000 to be divided among its employees as a Christmas bonus on a basis of 50 per cent of their year's salaries. For many years the company has been credited with being generous to its force. The present distribution is larger than any credited to any other financial institution.

King Albert Fails To Reconcile Sisters

PARIS, Dec. 24.—A special from Brussels says that Louise, the eldest daughter of the late King Leopold, has left that city without effecting a reconciliation with her sisters, and that King Albert's efforts to induce her to resume her place as a royal princess have failed.

FIRST CASE OF HOOK WORM FOUND IN OAKLAND

Mrs. Marie Francisca at County Infirmary Is Victim of Disease

DR. WELLMAN CONFIRMS REPORT OF PHYSICIANS

Scientists About the Bay Are Preparing to Make Full Investigation

Greater Oakland has at last achieved the fame of having a genuine case of the much talked of "hook worm" in the annals of its medical history.

Today at the county infirmary Dr. Wellman, professor of surgery at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and an expert on tropical diseases, confirmed the diagnosis made by Dr. Clark and the other physicians at the county infirmary in the case of Marie Francisca, who has a well developed and well marked case of this tropical disease.

Mrs. Francisca was taken to the county infirmary from San Leandro on December 20, and Dr. Clark suspected from the history of the case that there was a likelihood of her suffering from the hook worm. She was placed under strict observation, and systematically treated for the disease.

DISCOVERY OF WORM

Very soon the woman vomited a worm, which a microscopic examination showed to be a portion of a hook worm. More experiments were made and more examinations, and at their conclusion Dr. Wellman was summoned and he himself, after a thorough examination and study, confirmed the diagnosis.

Mrs. Francisca has lived in San Leandro for eight or nine years. She is a native of the Azores Islands. The case has attracted the greatest attention all about the bay and the matter will be made the subject of a special examination at the different colleges and medical societies. It has been difficult to learn a great deal of the woman's history as yet, but the physicians have written to her birthplace and a more complete report will soon be made.

This is the first case of hook worm in Greater Oakland, and so far as the doctors have been able to learn, the first fully defined and fully diagnosed case of hook worm in the State of California.

Keeps Jewels and Dies Of Hunger and Cold

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—With scarcely enough clothing to cover her body, but wearing a wedding ring which might have paid for shelter and saved her life, the body of Mrs. Josephine Zimmerman, who is said to have been homeless, was found frozen yesterday under the Northwestern viaduct at Hubbard street.

Besides the wedding ring, two other rings were found on her fingers and earrings were in her ears. In contrast, the condition of the scanty clothing revealed complete destitution.

CHILDREN LIGHT CHRISTMAS TREE; EIGHT ARE DEAD

NEWCASTLE, Pa., Dec. 24.—Eight children lost their lives early today in a fire that destroyed the home of George De Gerbo at Hillsdale, nine miles from this city. The dead are De Gerbo, his wife, and three children and three persons who boarded at their home.

The desire of the De Gerbo children to see the Christmas tree that had been prepared for them in the front room of their home is believed to have been responsible for the fire.

Early last evening the children were sent to bed so that their parents might prepare the tree that was to make their Christmas happy. After the tree was trimmed, De Gerbo called in several of his neighbors to view it.

The little ones were told that the room was being prepared for a visit from Santa Claus and, they could not enter it until Christmas morning.

Late last night the neighbors who had visited the De Gerbo home saw lights burning in the Christmas tree room.

Breaks Into His Wife's Room "Only to Kiss Her Good Night"

Here is a snapshot picture of Mrs. William C. Brokaw and her millionaire husband. She is suing him for separation and alimony, and he is resisting. Sensational charges are being made by both contestants.



BROKAW'S HAVE PET WORD CODE

Term of Endearment Which They Exchanged Were Sulphurous

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—W. Gould Brokaw's serial story of negation was continued on the witness stand at Mineola today with testimony of the defendant in his wife's suit for separation and alimony, which, broadly speaking, has been a succession of "I did nots." "It is not so" and "I have never been" in reply to Mrs. Brokaw's charges of abuse, unreasonable manifestations of jealousy and other actions that made life miserable for the couple.

Mr. Brokaw appeared unusually agitated today as the time approached for the cross-examination. He scanned his notes carefully through his pearl-covered book and peeping once in a while to the table where Lawyer Baldwin was going through the bulky record of the trial in preparation for the grillings, he carefully avoided his wife's eyes as she sat pale and worn by her attorneys' side.

The role of reconciliation was struck again in Mr. Brokaw's testimony. Asked by Mr. McIntyre if he had any unpleasant feelings toward his wife, Brokaw said he had not, but that her accusations that he had on several occasions.

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WORKMEN ARE BLOWN TO BITS WHILE AT LUNCH

Locomotive Explodes and More Than Dozen Men Meet Their Death

ACCIDENT OCCURS IN SHOPS AT OKLAHOMA

Investigation Is Now Being Conducted by Officials of Company

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.

Dec. 24.—A dozen or more men were killed at Shawnee, Okla., near here today when a locomotive exploded in the repair shops of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad during the noon hour.

The men were sitting close to the engine eating their lunch when the explosion occurred. Parts of human bodies were scattered in all directions for blocks around, and the building was demolished.

It was impossible to learn the names of the victims at once, as nothing remained of many of them by which identification could be made.

The company soon began checking over the list of their employes to ascertain who was missing.

Beaten and Robbed In Lobby of Hotel

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Robbed of his money, beaten and kicked as he lay prostrate on the floor while several persons looked on, afraid to intervene, Frank Laumaster of 202 Silver avenue reported his experience to the police at 8 a. m. today. He declares that he was visiting a friend at the San Bruno hotel, Arroyo and San Bruno avenues, and that two men, a description of whom he has furnished, set upon him in the main room, stole \$10 and beat him unmercifully.

They then made their escape, and he was taken to the Mission mercy hospital, where two lacerated wounds of the scalp and other minor injuries were treated. He is an elderly man, and affirms that the hold-up men were hoodlums living in the locality.

Boy Cries 'Burglar!' And Is Fatally Shot

SALEM, Or., Dec. 24.—A telephone message received here late Thursday states that Mason Seifert was shot and probably fatally injured at St. Louis, this county, as the result of a boyish prank. Seifert, in company with Arthur Coffin, one of the proprietors of the general merchandise store of Coffin & Miller, ran into the store shouting "Burglars! Burglars!" supposedly with the intention of frightening several men who were loitering about the place. One of the loiterers, whose name has not been ascertained, lost his head and began shooting at the boys, hitting the Seifert lad.

Fire Destroys Wards In Insane Hospital

WATERBURY, Vermont, Dec. 24.—Fire at the Vermont State Hospital for the Insane here late today destroyed the wards, causing an estimated loss of \$100,000. All of the inmates were removed without injury.

Bryan Improved; Keeps On Journey to Miami

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 24.—The condition of W. J. Bryan, who was taken ill here yesterday, was so greatly improved this morning that he decided to leave during the afternoon for Miami.

The Great Success of the
Pabst Cafe
Thanksgiving dinner has brought a universal request for a repetition of a similar excellent menu.

Xmas Day
We are pleased to honor this appreciation of our efforts and to announce a very excellent Table D'Hôte to be served.

Xmas Day
between the hours of 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.
MENU
Sardellen Schnitten
Toke Points on the Half Shell
Mock Turtle a la Anglaise
Celery
Roasted Striped Bass
Maitre d'Hotel
Roast California Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
French Peas
Mashed Potatoes
Hot Mince Pie
Iced Tasse
ONE DOLLAR.
Grand Concert by the German Husaren Orchestra from 6:30 p. m. to 12:30 a. m.

Pabst Cafe
the coziest and best ventilated cafe in Oakland.
Also just completed a separate entrance for ladies, which admits them direct to the ladies' dining room.

Pabst Cafe
Famous German Restaurant.
461-463-465
Eleventh Street
J. T. KESSLER, Manager

THE FINEST CAKES AND PASTRY FOR THE HOLIDAYS
Fruit, Nut, and other cakes, also a variety of pastries and breads. Also a variety of pastries and breads.
NEW LIBERTY BAKERY

PACIFIC SLOPE GETS SUNSHINE
Weather Man Allots Warmth to California for Christmas Day

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—(Christmas day) for American celebrants of the holiday season is to be a varied, according to wherever the celebrants happen to be located.
In the northwest there will be snow and falling cold, although there will be no extreme temperatures. From the Mississippi River to the Rocky Mountains the weather will be in the north and in the central portion there will be a combination of cold and rain.
In the south there will dampen the previous conditions. The upper half of the Ohio Valley and the East River States the day will be cloudy, but a belief there will be no precipitation.
The Pacific Slope and the Rocky Mountain region, according to the long distance view of the weather bureau will be throughly the only section of the country that will enjoy the weather. It will be fair, with the prospect of sun, but no ground on the western slope of the mountains will wear a covering of white.

NILE CLUB WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL ELECTION
The 1939-40 annual election of officers of the Nile Club will be held Thursday evening, December 28, at the club house, 1313 Broadway, at 8 p. m. After the election the annual dinner will be held at the club house at 10 p. m. The dinner will be a most interesting and festive affair. The Nile Club is a social organization for the purpose of promoting the interests of the Nile River and its people.

GREAT DISPLAY OF WEALTH
The California Loan Office is making a great effort to lighten the holiday shoppers, especially in the diamond and jewelry line. To that end they are using all the available space in their store at Ninth and Broadway. Their collection of diamonds, pearls, watches, chains of every kind, bracelets, rings, brooches and all other things that are so appreciated at this time, makes it an opportunity for those who are absolutely avaricious of money for high quality goods. A written guarantee describing the quality is given with every purchase. Store open every evening.

CHRISTMAS DINNER AT The Athens \$1.00
Orchestra on Half Shell
Green Flamingo
Ripe Olives
Walldorf Salad
Dressed Salmon Trout
Dressed Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Browned Sweet Potatoes
Asparagus
Clear Jellied String Beans
Hot Mince Pie
English Pudding
Orange Jelly with Whipped Cream
Peach Fruit
Imported Swiss Coffee

ZELAYA'S ARMY'S
Only 500 Men Out of 3000
Escape From Big Battle

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Vasquez, who was returning to Ramon from Managua when the fighting began, did not reach the zone during the fighting. He was a few miles distant when the government troops were routed and it is possible that some 500 men escaped with him.
After Zelaya's attack had been shelved the army taken by assault. In the trenches were several women, who preferred risking their lives in the conflict to starving in camp.
WOMEN AND BOYS IN ARMY.
These women were armed with rifles and fought courageously. One of them was wounded and later brought to the hospital here. A large proportion of the prisoners were taken by the army. The army accepted defeat as though it was very welcome.
General Gonzalez, the leader of the government troops, today slices the quarters of General Betandiera and is eating the latter's tobacco as though he enjoyed it.
BATTLE BEGINS IN MORNING.
The second day's fighting began at 9 o'clock in the morning. The first day's conflict had driven the enemy back to the main fortification in the village of Ramon, where they were again taken by assault. The fighting was very hard and the government troops were again driven back.

COMMUTERS MUST USE LOCAL TRAINS
Southern Pacific to Enforce Rule Against Main Line Travel
No longer will transbay ferry commuters have the privilege of riding on the main line trains of the Southern Pacific Company between the ferry and the Fruitvale and Twenty-third street stations. If the rule is enforced, the company officials yesterday is strictly enforced. The announcement was made at the point that in the future commuters tickets between Oakland and San Francisco will be received only on the local ferry trains.
For some time past many of the commuters living in Fruitvale and East Oakland have been in the custom of riding on main line trains in order to make time on their daily trips to the Oakland mole. The railroad company declares that this practice is greatly delayed on account of the crowds which used the main line trains from the local stations, and it was decided that so much time was lost in the running of this schedule that it would be necessary to discontinue this practice in the future.
Yesterday morning quite a crowd of commuters boarded a west-bound San Jose train at Fruitvale station and before they reached the Twenty-third street station were involved in a heated argument with the railroad police. Finally stopped the train and forced the commuters to get off. He explained to the commuters that they were merely obeying the company's orders.

MEXICAN ROAD GETS BUSINESS
Says That More Traffic Is Handled Here Than In Panama
CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—William E. Curtis, writing for the Record-Herald, says: "Notwithstanding the difference in distances, the railway owned by the Mexican Government across the isthmus of Tehuantepec is carrying more freight between the two oceans than the railroad owned by the United States across the States across the isthmus of Panama. The Tehuantepec railroad is 190 miles long and the Panama route is 140 miles long, and the freight rates are the same, which is undoubtedly one reason for the difference."
Another reason is that the Tehuantepec road is seeking business and the Panama route is not. The Panama route, at present, is in the construction of the canal and its ordinary commercial traffic is maintained at a public convenience rather than for profit. When the canal is completed it will be little use for the Panama railway as a freight carrier.

NEW PHASE IN THE SPRECKELS SUIT
Depositions in Suit Are Taken Out of Superior Court for the Present
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Rudolph and Claus A. Spreckels, excopters of the will of Claus Spreckels, deceased, obtained an order yesterday which will take their legal battle against the John D. Spreckels Brothers' Company, the Oceanic Steamship Company and the Union Trust Company for a time out of the Superior Court and stage it in the office of Attorney Theodore J. Roache, in the Humboldt Bank building.
Instead of the examination of witnesses, depositions will be taken, J. D. Brown, a notary, having been appointed to take them. The witnesses who will make depositions are F. S. Sannels, Charles J. Deering, I. W. Heilman, W. K. Gibson, H. W. Thomas and John D. Spreckels.
The order allowing the depositions to be taken was signed by Judge Murphy, at the request of a representative of Sullivan, Sullivan & Roache, attorneys for the plaintiffs. It is claimed by the plaintiffs that a conspiracy has been entered into by some of the defendants whereby the bonds of the steamship company, held by the Union Trust Company as trustee, are being depreciated in market value so that they may be purchased by the conspirators at an unfair price.
The means said to have been resorted to to accomplish this end is the passing of interest on the bonds, there being a clause in the trust agreement which seems to permit a majority of the holders to consent to the interest being passed indefinitely.

WESTERN PACIFIC IS CLEARING UP TRACKS
OROVILLE, Dec. 24.—All slides on the Western Pacific between Oroville and Forestburg will soon be cleared. The heavy rain of the past few days has caused a large number of slides on the line. The railroad is now in the process of clearing up the tracks. The slides are being cleared up by the use of dynamite and other methods. The railroad is now in the process of clearing up the tracks.

NOTICE
We will keep open evenings until 11:00 p. m. a lot of good goods for sale, cheap.
J. A. McNEIL & CO.
1907 Clay St., Oakland.
OUR OWN "BROWN QUININE"
Is LAXATIVE BROWN QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. GROVE. Use the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

CHICKEN TAKE CHOICE POULTRY
Four Places Are Entered in One Day According to Police Reports
Four more burglaries were reported to the police today. Fred Dohl of 441 Eleventh street reports his commission store was broken into and one dozen chickens and one dozen chickens stolen. The loss is estimated at \$25.
Dunkley effected an entrance to the home of S. C. Howard last night at 1432 Webster street and secured about \$100 worth of jewelry and silverware. The thieves found a rear window open and ransacked the home. The loss was discovered early after the burglars had been committed.
F. Risk of Fourth and Kinross street reports his place of business entered and \$25 in coin and two dozen bananas stolen. A rear window was broken by the thieves in effecting an entrance.
Mrs. H. W. of 303 Adams street reports that her home was entered yesterday by burglars, who stole a quantity of jewelry and silverware. The police have not been informed as to the amount of the loss.

BOY STOPS TRAIN AND VERTS WRECK
Finds Broken Rail and Flags Speeding Passenger Just in Time
OLYMPIA, Wash., Dec. 24.—Harry Hunter, a 12-year-old boy, saved a heavily loaded Northern Pacific passenger train from disaster yesterday. Hunter and Sam Burrows, a boy of the same age, were gathering Christmas decorations along the right of way about two miles east of Olympia when they discovered a broken rail which was opening in the track several feet long.
Knowing a passenger train was due to pass soon, the boys determined to give warning. Hunter started up the track in the direction of Tacoma and Burrows started toward Olympia, both running at top speed.
Hunter had proceeded but a short distance when he discovered the train bearing down upon him. Seizing a handkerchief, he waved it frantically. For a time it appeared the engineer would not heed his signal, but the train eventually began to slow down and was brought to a stop within five feet of the broken rail. Passengers and train crew lionized the boy hero and took him aboard the train.

BISHOP DINES ON MOCCASINS
Missionaries Tell Tale of Hardships in the Frozen North
DAWSON, Y. T., Dec. 24.—Bishop I. O. Stringer, for whose safety fears were felt a short time ago, of the Church of England, Yukon diocese, arrived here yesterday after suffering many hardships. Bishop Stringer arrived here after a journey of forty-seven days from Port MacPherson, at the mouth of the Mackenzie river, through the first arctic winter since summer from that region. The bishop and missionary Charles P. Johnson left Port MacPherson, Southern her 1, hoping to cross to the head of the Porcupine river in time to reach the Yukon river with a canoe.
The head of the Porcupine river, emptying into Porcupine river, was partly frozen, so they had to wait back to Port MacPherson. For twenty-five days they marched in the blinding fog of Arctic storms with little food. Supplies finally ran out and the men experienced hardships worse than those of Peary. For many days there was only a handful of food for each man daily. Finally the party was compelled to take their moose, caribou and muskoxen from their feet and eat them. They were able to travel only five or ten miles a day, when they stumbled into an Indian camp, where they were welcomed and given food.
Their moose and muskoxen had kept them alive for several days. Each man had a few pounds of meat. Bishop Stringer remained at Port MacPherson, and the two Indians started for Dawson, via the Mackenzie river. Bishop Stringer and his party came through without further difficulty.

DISNEY SNEADS MAKE SUICIDE PACT?
Discovery of New Documents Causes Belief That Whole Family Planned to Die
NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Further complications in the maze of contradictory evidence in the Snead case were unearthed today with the discovery of additional documents. They were found by the Brooklyn police in the Henry Street house once occupied by the Wardlaw family, and imbued the detectives with the belief that the entire family had made a suicide agreement, which was only partly fulfilled by the death of Oscar Snead.
The alleged compact is said to be revealed by the letters signed by Oscar Snead, her husband, Fletcher Snead; Mrs. Martin, her mother, and her aunt, Mrs. Mary Snoud and Miss Virginia Wardlaw. An attorney, who was several blank forms of power of attorney, all signed by Oscar Snead. The documents have been turned over to the New Jersey authorities.

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HELD UP ON MORAGA ROAD NEAR HER HOME

Rushes for Aid But Police Arrive Too Late to Find Trace of Thug

Confronted by a man in the hands of a masked thug as she hurried along the lonely Moraga road in the vicinity of the old William F. Long house on the outskirts of the city, Miss Louise Scherer, a school teacher of Oakland, was held up and robbed of her purse containing a small amount of cash and jewelry.

According to the frightened girl's story, she had been shopping for the holiday season in the city and was returning home on the Moraga road. Walking hurriedly along, she was suddenly confronted by a man in a dark coat, wearing a mask and holding a pistol.

"Give me your purse," Miss Scherer said. "I want to see what you have." She handed over her purse, which she was carrying in full view in her hand, without a murmur. Apparently satisfied that she had little else of value on her person, the thug, after a suspicious glance up and down the road, permitted her to pass on, and a moment later he disappeared into the darkness.

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Running into the home of the caretaker on the Moraga road, Miss Scherer sobbed out her story and the police were first summoned. Captain Cook from the local station responded, but arriving almost an hour later, was unable to find any trace of the thug.

VETERAN HURLED FROM CARRIAGE AND KILLED

SEATTLE, Dec. 24.—Major A. S. Reed, 70 years of age, who had been visiting friends at Sunday, near here, was instantly killed by being thrown from a carriage in which he was riding. His neck was broken by the fall.

DEAD BABY MAY REUNITE COUPLE

Memory of Little One Causes a Halt in the Divorce Proceedings

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—Unless all parties call a halt to the divorce proceedings, the memory of a dead baby may cause a halt in the divorce proceedings of a couple who were recently divorced. The husband, who is a well-known actor, is suing for a divorce from his wife, who is a well-known actress. The husband is suing for a divorce on the ground of desertion. The wife is suing for a divorce on the ground of cruelty. The husband is suing for a divorce on the ground of desertion. The wife is suing for a divorce on the ground of cruelty. The husband is suing for a divorce on the ground of desertion. The wife is suing for a divorce on the ground of cruelty.

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FAIR VICTIM OF JOY RIDE ESCAPES DEATH

MARYSVILLE, Dec. 24.—Dr. David Powell, the attending physician at St. Ned's hospital, who was seriously injured in an automobile accident last week, says the young woman will recover. She sustained a fracture of the skull, laceration of the scalp and a deep laceration under the right eye. The left eye was also torn.

SEA CAPTAIN GOES UNDERTWENTY-THIRD SURGICAL OPERATION

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Edward C. Brown, a sea captain, is a patient in a Brooklyn hospital, convalescing after his twenty-third surgical operation in five years. "I have become so accustomed to operations," he said, "that I don't mind them a bit. I guess they have become second nature to me."

CONVICTS WILL GET PLENTY OF CHRISTMAS CHEER

SAN QUENTIN, Dec. 24.—Tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock the 1800 prisoners confined in the State prison walls will form in single file and march in lock-step to the huge prison dining room, where they will indulge in a hearty Christmas dinner.

Strict silence will be imposed upon all the prisoners during the repast and a guard will be stationed at the head of every table. The following menu will no doubt bring joy to the hearts of the imprisoned men, who have been waiting patiently for the important event in their monotonous lives for the past month: Chowder, roast pork and apple sauce, cheese, hot rolls and bread, potatoes, macaroni, cake, mince pie and coffee.

The San Quentin Minstrel and Vaudeville Company, whose members are all prisoners, will begin rehearsing for their annual show to be given on New Year's night in the prison theater. Many talented actors are confined behind the prison walls, among which is George Best, who, upon being paroled on January 2, will join the Kolt and Dill company in San Francisco. The convicts, in fact, are a versatile group. At present two prison artists are working on a scene depicting a burning forest, which will be a background for one act in the minstrel show.

BANK GUARANTY LAW SET BACK

Two Injunctions Are Granted by Judge Pollock of Federal Court

TOPPEKA, Kan., Dec. 24.—The Kansas Bank Guaranty Law received a knockout blow from Judge Pollock of the Federal Court here today. Two injunctions were granted by Judge Pollock.

One of the cases involved was that of Bank of Lawrence, a stockholder in the Lawrence Bank of Lawrence, against the officers and directors of the bank and J. D. Doherty, State Bank Commissioner. His contention was that a stockholder in a State bank could object and prevent the participation of the bank in the Lawrence Bank of Lawrence. Judge Pollock holds that this contention was good and granted an injunction.

The other case was that of the Abilene National Bank against the bank commissioner and the State Guaranty Law. The bank commissioner had granted a temporary injunction in this case, holding that the State Guaranty Law was unconstitutional. Judge Pollock granted a permanent injunction in this case, holding that the State Guaranty Law was unconstitutional.

ALASKA SUFFERING
COAL SHORTAGE

SITUATION IN SOUTHERN SECTION IS ACUTE OWING TO EXTREME COLD
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 24.—There is a serious shortage of coal in Ketchikan, Alaska, owing to the unusually cold weather this month and the shortage is intensifying as the winter progresses. The situation is acute owing to the extreme cold. The situation is acute owing to the extreme cold.

JAMES J. HILL BUYS GREAT PORTLAND TRACT

PORTLAND, Dec. 24.—Options on North Portland property to the value of approximately \$2,000,000 are reported to have been secured by the Northern Pacific railroad. The deal has been in progress for a week past, but so quietly has it been negotiated that it was only recently that rumors of it gained currency and not until yesterday that the interests of it were ferreted out.

DIAMONDS ARE STOLEN; POLICE LOOK FOR MAID

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Diamonds valued at almost \$100,000, some in settings and some loose, were stolen yesterday morning from a jewelry store in the city. The diamonds were stolen from a jewelry store in the city. The diamonds were stolen from a jewelry store in the city.

GILBERT GETS FEE FOR ADMINISTERING ESTATE

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Former Judge Hiram T. Gilbert's contention that he is entitled to a \$40,000 fee for his services in administering the \$1,000,000 estate of the late William B. Ross, former lieutenant-governor of Illinois, was sustained yesterday by a jury in Municipal Judge Black's court. The jury wrestled with the problem for the hours before deciding to award the total amount of the claim.

Admitted to the Bar on His Twenty-First Birthday



LOUIS GLICKMAN, who has just been admitted to the practice of law at the age of 21 years.

Louis Glickman of this city, who has just been admitted to the practice of law in the State of California by the Third District Court of Appeals, sitting at Sacramento, is probably the youngest attorney in the United States. He was admitted to the bar yesterday, which was also his twenty-first birthday. No student can become a full-fledged lawyer before attaining his majority and therefore Glickman got into the game as soon as it was possible for him to do so.

He appeared in a case in the Superior Court today. The motion to admit the young man to the bar was made by Attorney Wahraff of the firm of Wahraff & Shinn of Sacramento, a lifelong friend of Glickman's family. The young lawyer is connected with the office of Philip M. Wahraff, six months ago he graduated from the law department of the University of Southern California. He was the youngest member in the class and too young to become a lawyer. Thus it was possible for him to become an attorney and a voter upon the same day.

SIX DEAD TAKEN
OUT OF COLLIERY

Explosion Kills Eight When Gas Ignites From Exposed Lamps
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 24.—Messages from Herrin, Ill., tell of the recovery early today of the bodies of six men whose open lamps caused a gas explosion in a colliery last night, eight deaths resulting. The bodies are those of W. T. Pierce, his two helpers, Eugene Barthe, Gordon Schaefer, and Thomas Williams, one of the assistant managers of the mine.

UNITED STATES
MARSHAL DEAD

Remains of Richard de Lancie Are Laid to Rest in Oroville
The funeral of the late Richard de Lancie, former United States marshal for the northern district of California, died Wednesday evening in Fabiola Hospital, will be held today in Oroville. For the past five years the deceased had been in ill-health. He had been confined in Fabiola Hospital only a few days, when an operation was performed to which he succumbed.

SAFE-CRACKERS
GET LITTLE CASH

Blow Open Two Strong Boxes But Only Secure Four Dollars
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Three safe-crackers broke into two stores on Steiner street, near Pine, at an early hour this morning and, after a long and successful operation, secured a small amount of cash. The safe-crackers broke into two stores on Steiner street, near Pine, at an early hour this morning and, after a long and successful operation, secured a small amount of cash.

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11 DROWNED WHEN FLOOD SWEEPS TOWNS

Heavy Rains on the Portuguese Frontier Drive People From Homes

VALLEY OF TORMES IS RAGING TORRENT

Railroads Are Washed Out and Telegraph Wires Are Down

LISBON, Dec. 24.—Heavy rains near the Portuguese frontier have caused destructive floods. At Ciudad Rodrigo at least eleven persons have been drowned and hundreds are homeless. Fifty houses have collapsed and many others are submerged.

The valley of the Tormes is possessed by a raging torrent. Bridges have been swept away, roads have been washed out, cattle killed and crops ruined. The village of Tiguellino is under water. The Douro River is out of its banks. The beds of the railroad lines leading toward Portugal have been washed out.

MADRID, Dec. 24.—Rain storms in the provinces of Salamanca and Leon have caused the most disastrous floods experienced in fifty years. The towns of Burgos, Zamora, Valladolid and Bilbao suffered most. Many houses have been swept away. Several towns are without light owing to the inundation of the gas and electric plants.

The governor of Salamanca telegraphs that fourteen persons were saved from the roof of a house, where they had taken refuge during the night. LISBON, Dec. 24.—The rivers of Portugal are raging torrents today, following an unprecedented rainstorm. The property damage is considerable.

Explosion of Lamp Causes Nine Deaths

HILLSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 24.—In a fire early today, caused by the explosion of an oil lamp in a boarding house, nine persons were burned to death. The victims, all foreigners, were a man, his wife, five children and two boarders.

"LITTLE TIM" IS BORN TO GRAVE

Thousands Attend Funeral of Bowery Politician at Church and Club Rooms

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The funeral of "Little Tim" Sullivan attracted a large crowd to the vicinity of his home and was attended today by many notables in every walk of life. The Bowery and the East Side were particularly affected by the death of "Little Tim." Of his followers he had more than 1000 men on the city payroll and he and his cousin, "Big Tim" Sullivan, were known as the most liberal dispensers of charity to the poor of the Bowery district.

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MOTHER AND SMALL BOY BATTLE WITH A THUG

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Mrs. C. C. Charles and her 5-year-old son, Charles, yesterday afternoon fought a robber in the street near their home. After both had been knocked down the thug escaped with a hand bag containing jewelry valued at \$700. Mrs. Charles had taken the valuables with her on a shopping trip, fearing they would be stolen if left at home.

WOUNDS BOY BECAUSE HE OBJECTED TO PLAY

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24.—Because several boys had been playing ball in a vacant lot next to his house would not stop when he demanded it, Harry, a resident of Oak Park, a Sacramento suburb, yesterday fired at them with his shotgun. Harry was struck in the back and hand by the shot, but was at such a distance that no serious injury resulted.

COUNTY CLERK IS GIVEN A GIFT BY HIS OFFICE STAFF

County Clerk Cook's deputies herded their popular chief into the "bull pen" of his big public office at the hall of records this morning about 10 o'clock and cornered him there.

Deputy Clerk W. W. Crane made a brief address to Cook about Christmas and how much the office staff thought of their boss, and then he blithely shoved a little velvet-covered box into his superior's hand. This was the signal for the other deputies to blush and when Cook opened the box he took one look at the contents and exclaimed: "Boys, this is really too much; I didn't expect anything of this kind." He tried to say more, but a big lump lodged in his throat and there was nothing else for him to do but to look the gratitude that welled his heart and blush a little bit with the others.

The gift was an elegant pair of solid gold, diamond-studded link cuff buttons, and the donors were Chief Deputy A. E. Johnstone and Deputies W. W. Crane, W. E. Adams, William Zambresky, A. C. Crane, W. M. Branning, Paul H. Wadsworth, Homer Wilson, Frank M. Heaney, William W. MacCormack, George Strickler, L. A. Rudolph, Wilder M. Manning, Audobon J. Woolsey, Robert V. Jordan, W. O. Brown, W. B. Smith, Fred Peterson, Mat Reilly, W. White and James M. Camp.

SALT LAKE WILL GET THE FIGHT

Rickard Declares Positively That Battle Will Be in Utah

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 24.—"It will be said positively that the Jeffries-Johnson contest will be held in Salt Lake City." This statement was made today by "Tex" Rickard a few hours after he arrived in this city.

Continuing Rickard said: "I have been assured by the leading business men of the city that there will be no official interference with the fight and on that assurance I am going ahead with the preliminary arrangements."

Rickard said that the contest would be held in the Salt Palace "Saucer track," the capacity of which would be enlarged. He expected that the contest would draw a \$200,000 gate with prices of seats ranging from \$5 to \$50.

MADRIZ FORMING MIXED CABINET

Estrada Reorganizing Army and Enlisting Many Released Prisoners

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The only bit of news from Nicaragua received at the State Department this morning came from Consul Caldera at Managua. A telegram stated that Madriz was organizing a cabinet made up of liberals and conservatives, mostly from Leon, his home city. This is assumed to mean that Madriz is trying to carry water on both shoulders with disastrous results. Estrada, it is believed here, is reorganizing his army with a view to taking up the march westward over the mountains to Managua. That he will have little opposition is generally believed and there are indications that many prisoners taken at last evening's battle are being enlisted in the Estrada provincial government and John Estrada's army in operations against Managua and the west coast cities.

Condition of King Alfonso Very Grave

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The Gil Blas today prints a private communication from Madrid stating that the condition of King Alfonso has created the gravest anxiety in court circles. Another operation is imperative.

TALKS TO TWO WOMEN, THEN MISSES HIS WATCH

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Two women who entered the grocery store of Gustave Contos, 336 Twenty-ninth street, last evening, drew the proprietor into their confidence, succeeded in robbing him of a \$50 watch and chain. The women declared that they wanted to talk to him on a private matter, and he followed them to a room at the rear of the store. He noticed the Ingleside station, declaring that he would find the thief if he saw them again.

LANDHOLDERS ORDERED TO TEAR DOWN FENCES

FORT RIDWELL, Cal., Dec. 24.—The government has issued demands on many large landholders of this section to tear down the fences that they have built around large tracts of government land and thereby have been holding against settlement. Many thousands of acres have been held in this manner, depriving small stockmen, sheepmen and homesteaders of their rights. Some are tearing down the fences while others will fight the request.

LABEL CASE DISMISSED IN JUDGE DUNNE'S COURT

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—Freemont Older and R. A. Crocker, managing editor and proprietor, respectively, of the Bulletin, who were arrested for misdemeanor in connection with the case of the Bulletin, were released today by Judge Dunne. The judge dismissed the case on the ground that the defendants had already been acquitted, and added that the prosecution did not have the evidence to sustain its case.

CLUB WOMAN AND WRITER IS UNDER ARREST

Mrs. E. Newman, Known as Bessie Murray, Must Explain Drafts

DESIRE TO PROTECT HER HUSBAND MAY BE REASON

Charges Pile Up That She Obtained Hundreds For Worthless Paper

Through an apparent desire to protect her husband from the disastrous effects of living beyond his income, Mrs. Elizabeth Murray Newman, who is prominently connected with the California Club and other women's organizations of San Francisco, and is well known as a writer of short stories under the nom de plume of Bessie Murray, is occupying a cell in the San Francisco city prison, charged with the obtaining of hundreds of dollars from a similar charge preferred by J. H. Holt, a member of the same club.

SECOND ARREST.

After leaving Sonoma, Mrs. Newman was arrested here soon after her arrival at the request of the San Francisco police. The drafts involved in the case are all alleged to have been drawn by Mrs. Newman upon her mother, Mrs. Murray of Windsor, who is a member of the same club. The woman had given him a draft for \$25 in January of a year ago, and that it was returned to him by Mrs. Newman upon her mother, Mrs. Murray of Windsor, who is a member of the same club. The woman had given him a draft for \$25 in January of a year ago, and that it was returned to him by Mrs. Newman upon her mother, Mrs. Murray of Windsor, who is a member of the same club.

AUTOMOBILE BILL.

Hardly had Mrs. Newman reached her apartment in the city when she was again arrested on a charge of having obtained the license for a car from the California Motor Vehicle Company. The license was obtained for a car which was not registered. The woman had given him a draft for \$25 in January of a year ago, and that it was returned to him by Mrs. Newman upon her mother, Mrs. Murray of Windsor, who is a member of the same club.

HUSBAND MISSING.

Newman yesterday and all inquiries as to his whereabouts were ended by his wife, who declared that he had been located at the same hotel with him and his wife in this city and elsewhere, freely declared that he had been located at the same hotel with him and his wife in this city and elsewhere, freely declared that he had been located at the same hotel with him and his wife in this city and elsewhere.

LAVISH LIVING.

While at the Box Springs hotel, an automobile in constant use, together with the services of a chauffeur, it is understood that it is for non-payment of the bill of this machine that the woman is being held. When questioned on this point last night at the Box Springs hotel, she said that she had been located at the same hotel with him and his wife in this city and elsewhere, freely declared that he had been located at the same hotel with him and his wife in this city and elsewhere.

Katherine Tingley to Aid San Diego Fair

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 24.—Katherine Tingley, leader of the Theosophical and Theosophical Society of the World, has made application to the Board of Directors of the San Diego Fair for a site for a building on the World grounds and with the application comes a promise of aid in making the position which will be held by the fair in 1931 a success. The subscriptions for a stock now are close to the \$500,000 mark.

CHILD WIFE SEES HER HUSBAND MEET DEATH

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 24.—Joseph Eastop, a better known as the "Black Legion" member, was burned to death in the American, a nickelodeon here, this afternoon, while operating the moving pictures at a Santa Claus show. The film exploded and the boy was in the little operating room, and he could not escape, being burned to death before the eyes of his child wife, Dolla Eastop, who could see his dead struggles through a small aperture. His wife was terribly hurt in her efforts to rescue her husband, as was Samuel Craft, ticket seller at the American, who tried to liberate the burning man.

NINETY-TWO POUND MINCE PIE ON WAY TO PRESIDENT TAFT

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 21.—A 92-pound mince pie, a creation of the "Pie Bakers' Association" of this city, is today on its way to Washington, where the bakers' hope it will decorate the Christmas dinner table of President Taft. The pie makers are determined that no such fate shall befall their production on this occasion as was the case of their Thanksgiving pie, which mysteriously disappeared before reaching the White House. They have sent with it a trained messenger, who will watch over the mince pie on its journey and is headed to the chef at the White House.

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The Oakland Carmen's Union.

The Oakland Carmen's Union has sensibly refused to be led by a parcel of professional agitators, mostly non-resident, into an aggressive policy that would cause immediate friction and speedily result in industrial strife. The present is not a propitious time for provoking antagonism between employers and employees, and the Oakland Carmen's Union has rendered the entire community a distinct service by resisting a scheme to break the industrial peace prevailing here. By a large majority the members of that body have rejected insidious and inflammatory appeals to their prejudices rather than their reason made by persons who planned to disrupt harmonious relations now existing, that an alien leadership with personal axes to grind might be foisted on the local union.

Taken as a whole the employees of the Oakland Traction Company are a fine body of men who possess and merit the good will of the public. A large proportion of them own or are acquiring homes of their own, and therefore have a stake in the community of which they form a considerable part. They have a personal interest in the growth of the community as well as permanency of employment, and have wisely discerned the injury that would result to themselves from precipitating a conflict which would lead to general disturbance of business and industrial order. Also they have unmistakably signified their determination to manage their own affairs, which they have done with signal success in the past. They have stood for industrial peace and have preserved relations of harmony and mutual good will between themselves and their employers. Out of this course of conduct has grown a kindly personal feeling which has formed a bond of fellowship, a comradeship inspires mutual respect and sympathy. It encourages the sentiment of fair play and the examination of all points of difference from a friendly standpoint on both sides. The example thus set has been beneficial in many ways, lifting the wage question above the mercenary plane to a more humane and intellectual level.

For years the members of the Oakland Carmen's Union have been worthy examples of thrift and industry, have been conspicuous for good behavior and good citizenship, and for those sturdy qualities which lie at the base of manly character. It is gratifying to see such men building their homes and rearing their families here. Such men are naturally opposed to strife and disorder, and to pernicious agitation fomented to serve the ends of ambitious and often venal adventurers.

The recent effort to overthrow the leadership that has wisely guided the union in the past was the fruit of a scheme to establish the domination in Oakland of Richard Cornelius, president of the defunct Carmen's Union of San Francisco. Cornelius plunged San Francisco into a long and bloody industrial war that resulted in the utter defeat and complete wreck of his union. A fat political berth rewarded him for his share in precipitating the big strike, but his deluded followers gained nothing but a long period of enforced idleness and were in the end compelled to seek work of any kind wherever they could get it. Other union laborers were taxed thousands of dollars to support this disastrous and profitless strike, while a host of working people, male and female, walked for weeks to and from their work, tired and footsore, because of the strike. They suffered in purse and bodily fatigue for the acts of a few selfish and unprincipled leaders. The Oakland carmen were close observers of that conflict, and they have no mind to invite a similar experience here.

Hence they spurned all overtures to turn from the leaders they had found worthy of trust in the past and take up with new men with dynamic tendencies and evil connections. They have wisely decided to accept the guidance that has been proved trustworthy, and in doing so have given a further proof of their sound sense and good citizenship. THE TRIBUNE congratulates them on their rejection of evil counsels and a radical leadership. The Traction Company is fortunate in having such an excellent body of men in its employ.

Somewhat we have gained the impression that the modistes and the tailors are behind the clamor against the nude in art.

The consensus of opinion seems to be that William Watson is a gifted poet but no gentleman, and that Richard Le Gallienne is a bad poet but a good advertiser.

The San Francisco Supervisors who are to vacate their offices on the first of the year have given a petty exhibition of malice that will deepen the popular contempt they have inspired. It is a trick so small and mean as to carry the imprint of James D. Phelan's noble soul. The board has ordered the automobile purchased for the use of District Attorney Langdon turned over to the Police Department. This is a slap at the new District Attorney, Charles M. Fickert, who provoked the undying enmity of the Spreckels-Phelan oligarchy by defeating Francis J. Heney. In giving judicial approval to an immunity contract by which a confessed bootler was freed from danger of punishment Judge Dunne took a fling at Mr. Fickert from the bench, and now the Spreckels-Phelan Supervisors have voiced the anger of their masters by taking away the automobile purchased for the use of the District Attorney's office. The revenge is worthy the men who took it.

California's Fool Game Laws.

In an opinion written by Justice Henshaw and concurred in by the other justices of the Supreme Court the section of the game laws making it unlawful to set any fire for the purpose of burning brush or grass or for clearing land without a permit from a fire warden has very properly been declared unconstitutional and a violation of personal rights and, therefore, invalid. If such a law had been sustained, the lawful owner of much property in the rural districts in this State would have been absolutely at the mercy of the fire warden and would have been helpless to deal with his own land. The provision in the game law which makes it unlawful to use any implement or instrument drawn by any animal or animals in taking clams is equally invalid, for the simple reason that man is an animal and the only way to take clams is either with the use of a shovel or a rake. Another ridiculous section of the game laws is that making it unlawful to kill any meadow lark, robin, or non-game birds, except bluejays, English sparrows, sharp shinned, cooper and duck hawks, great horned owls and California linnets. The meadow lark, although an intolerable nuisance to farmers, because he ravages his grain, has been spared to placate the California Club whose membership is made up of women, on the ground that it is a song bird; but the linnet, which is an infinitely sweeter songster, and less objectionable to the agriculturist, and the great horned owl, which is a natural enemy of field mice and other destructive vermin, are not protected. The game laws also prohibit the killing of tree squirrels at any time of the year, and yet the Federal health officers are said to have advocated their destruction as well as the extermination of ground squirrels on the ground that they are subject to bubonic plague infection by being infested by the rat flea. It makes the bag limit twenty-five wild ducks or having in possession a larger number, and yet the Vallejo Elks recently served at a banquet one hundred wild ducks and no game warden disturbed the gathering. Our fool game laws sadly need revision on sensible lines.

Zelaya's Dying Kick.

Zelaya is anxious to make the world believe that the revolution that is successfully closing in on him and threatening to end his tyranny was fomented and assisted by the United States. As a matter of fact, the United States has not interfered in the civil war raging in Nicaragua further than to interpose for the protection of American interests in that distracted country. The murder of Cannon and Groce, American citizens, at Zelaya's order, was an incident of a war that was already in progress. In giving notice that Zelaya was to be called to account for this crime, our government did not extend any material aid to the revolutionists, though it undoubtedly had a moral effect in their favor. When Zelaya realized that his fall was inevitable he intrigued to establish as his successor a puppet through whom he could continue to reign as despot of Nicaragua. The United States has neither aided nor interfered with this proceeding, which promises to be futile since the revolutionists decline to recognize Madriz as President, regarding him merely as a deputy for Zelaya. Estrada's success, of course, means the deposition of Madriz, and Zelaya is trying to make the world believe that American influence is being exerted to overthrow the existing government. He is trying to arouse jealousy and suspicion in the other Latin-American States against the United States in the hope of evading punishment and eventually regaining power. It is the trick of a defeated man in fear of the host of enemies he has raised up against him at home and the retribution that awaits him at the hands of the United States. The complete elimination of Zelaya and Zelayan influence would be a blessing to Nicaragua, but it is not for our government to say who shall rule in that country.

If the blizzard-stricken and frost-bitten inhabitants of the mid-Western and Eastern States could only be suddenly translated to Oakland at present they would surely believe that they had dropped into Paradise. We are enjoying an ideal Christmas. The air is a little crisp in the early morning, but the bright, warm sunshine is in evidence through the day. The surrounding country is green with new grass up to the eyes of browsing cattle. While it is ideal weather, it is also Oakland's average Christmas weather, and not in any sense an exception to the rule, although it might be difficult to convince the shivering fur-clad easterner of that fact, for he is disposed to consider the winter climate of all parts of the country from his home viewpoint.

An adjustment of all differences regarding the upper Franklin and Twentieth street electric street railway franchises has been finally reached which is satisfactory to the protesting property-owners, the Southern Pacific Company and to the city. The granting of the franchise will doubtless be followed by the immediate carrying out of a long-deferred street railway improvement, the changing of the motive power of the Webster-street line from steam to electricity and the operation of a new cross-town electric railway which will give direct communication between the business center of the city and Alameda, Alameda mole and the Sixteenth-street station. The improvement will unquestionably have a very important bearing on the value of all property contiguous to it and facilitate the expansion of Oakland's business quarters.

HEIRS TO FIGHT INHERITANCE TAX

Beneficiaries of the Shattuck Estate Say Its Value Was Over-Estimated

Declaring that the estate left by the late Rose M. Shattuck of Berkeley fell far short of being worth more than \$1,000,000, and denying absolutely that decedent distributed the property to her heirs-at-law by pre-mortuary deeds of gift in contemplation of death and for the purpose of defrauding the State out of the inheritance tax due to it therefrom, Rose M. Woolsey, Nellie W. Winter and Clinton R. Blake, heirs of Mrs. Mary C. and Minnie Moore, beneficiaries under the will, have entered their answer to the complaint filed in the Superior Court by County Treasurer M. J. Kelly, to collect the tax which he alleged has been illegally withheld.

It has been half-way expected by those interested in the institution of the suit that the Shattuck heirs would settle the controversy out of court, but the filing of their answer indicates that they intend to fight the issue on its merits.

Respondents set forth in their answer that the estate of Mrs. Shattuck's death, August 16, 1906, the real property belonging to the estate was not worth more than \$500,000, and that instead of that portion which was bequeathed to Rose M. Woolsey being worth more than \$875,000 it did not exceed \$400,000 in value.

It is also alleged that the property transferred to Clinton R. Blake, and Ruby R. Morse, and Nellie W. Winter was not worth more than \$200,000 as against \$32,000 stated in this County Treasurer's complaint, and that instead of the real estate bequeathed to Mary C. and Minnie Moore being worth more than \$31,400 it did not at any time exceed \$20,000 in value.

LESS THAN ESTIMATE.

Thus, according to the estimates of the heirs, the total value of the estate at the time of Mrs. Shattuck's death was not more than one-half that given to it in the County Treasurer's complaint. His estimate of the inheritance tax due to the State is about \$25,000 in the estate, while according to the figures given by the heirs this amount, if there is any tax due, is cut in half.

The heirs say that the pre-mortuary deeds of gift did preclude Mrs. Shattuck from enjoying all the benefits of her property and were not given to evade the inheritance tax law; that they were not made in contemplation of death and that Mrs. Shattuck parted voluntarily with the possession and enjoyment of the property when the conveyances were made. Respondents admit that no inheritance tax has been paid and deny that it is or ever was due.

Speaking today of the defense set up by the heirs, Attorney Robert M. Fitzgerald of the firm of Fitzgerald & Abbott, counsel for respondents, said:

PERMIT COMPROMISES.

"Decisions of the courts in New York and other states aside from California permit of compromises under the inheritance tax laws when such action is sanctioned by a probate tribunal. It is held by some authorities that the California law grants the same privilege, but as yet there is no decision on the point.

"It has been held by the courts of other states that where a person transfers property prior to his death and relinquishes all claims and benefits therefrom the tax may not be collected, even though the death of the grantor takes place within a short time. But where the conveyance is made in contemplation of death and with intent to evade the law the tax is collectable. The tax may also be collected where the grantor makes an absolute transfer of property, but continues to receive the profits from it up to the time of death."

This statement indicates that the Shattuck heirs will set up the contention that although some of the property transferred may be subject to the tax, other properties were not so conveyed, a compromise, it is understood, might have been effected upon this basis.

PEACE JUSTICE TAKES EXCEPTION TO RULING

Justice of the Peace William Geary yesterday afternoon denied the motion of Attorney C. F. Drew and Clarence Reed to dismiss the charge of robbery against Low Yen, thus taking exception to a recent ruling of Justice Quinn in the same case.

The defendant was originally arrested on a warrant issued by Judge Quinn. On motion of the attorney for the defendant the warrant was quashed on the ground that it was issued in violation of the Constitution of the United States and the penal code of the State of California, as regards the necessity of a description in a John Doe warrant. Judge Quinn dismissed the case.

The Chinese was immediately arrested and was up for examination before Judge Geary yesterday. Geary held that the warrant conformed with the statutes and refused to dismiss the case.

A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year

to those whose gifts include something from our store.

All others, we trust, may be as happy as is possible without one of our Pianos or Victors. May they seek consolation in the thought that there's another Christmas coming.

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Topics Timely and Interesting

Raymond Stryker was out gunning near Sayville, L. I., when a rabbit sat up about fifty yards away in a clump of pine willows. Stryker, who has been wearing a glass eye for a couple of weeks, leveled his gun at the cottontail, then shot his good eye and blazed away. When he opened the good eye the rabbit was dead. He did the same thing with three other rabbits.

"I am so used to cooking that eye," said Stryker when he returned to town with his bag full of game, "that I just forgot the other eye was a glass one. You can take it from me that I saw those rabbits with my glass eye. How could I have hit 'em? My idea is that the sight of those rabbits jumped into the glass eye for a second or so. Why, I could see them as plain as day. There's no doubt about it."

"Pears to me that 'ere glass eye gave you a kind of second sight," remarked Uncle Ike Chichester.

Things keep moving in China it may not be long before there won't be a pigtail in New York's Chinatown. "The Shanghai National Review" says that Prince Tsai Tao has recommended to his brother, the regent, a decree against the appendage on the ground that it is "an unmitigated nuisance." New York Chinamen who have their queues pulled by street gamins will probably heartily agree with the prince.

After digging graves for forty years Ambrosio Vargas, 75 years of age, and a resident of San Antonio, Texas, since 1849, had a six-by-four dug for him. Mr. Vargas was born at Morclova, in the State of Coahuila, Mexico, and resided in San Antonio in the days when it was a frontier town. For many years he was the principal figure in the local Mexican colony, and not a few of his compatriots stood in superstitious fear of him. It was his boast that he had dug the grave of every prominent San Antonian for the last four decades and that he would dig those of many more.

It is of interest to note that he is survived by his father, Juan Vargas, who is 112 years of age and still physically and mentally active. Of his own family a widow, nine children and twenty-four grandchildren survive him.

Denver's municipal theater, occupying a part of the great Auditorium, is making money, according to "Denver Municipal Facts." The theater has been running four weeks, and for the most part has been crowded at every performance.

UNION MEN WILL HAVE ORPHANAGE

Plans Are on Foot to Build a Pleasant Asylum at San Lorenzo

According to present plans, the project of the Union Men's Orphanage of San Lorenzo will be taken up by the Building Trades Council and Central Labor Council of Oakland and San Francisco, and their scheme will be followed out as rapidly as possible. Plans are on foot to reorganize the orphanage and to form a joint committee from the four councils and make the orphanage a perpetual charge of the committee.

Money will be raised among the members of the unions to repair the buildings and place the farm in proper condition for the little ones. Subscriptions will be made in small amounts. The buildings now on the premises will be accommodated fifty children and applications are being made daily by union members for reservations for their children.

The tract of land at San Lorenzo known as the Captain Roberts estate was selected at the site for the orphanage, and an option was taken on the property calling for a total payment of \$12,000. Of this amount \$2000 has been paid and \$1000 falls due next month.

UNION CARPENTERS TO BUILD A CLUBHOUSE

Union Carpenters' Hall Association of Fruitvale, organized for the purpose of cultivating social, fraternal and intellectual intercourse and recreation among its members, has filed articles of incorporation with the county clerk. It has a capital stock of \$25,000, divided into as many shares of the par value of \$1 each, and will domicile itself in an elegant clubhouse which it proposes to erect. The incorporators are: Dave L. Wilson, A. Macpherson, O. L. Sparks, P. J. Grosse, Edwin E. Travis, Phillip Turner, Charles A. Jeffers, Jacob H. Bold, Robert E. Ingie, J. H. Wren, A. L. Felterhoff, Richard Kelly, T. S. Burke, E. A. Young and A. L. Ferguson.

There's a difference between dignity and pomposity, but some people don't seem to be able to realize it.

There are no Sunday night engagements, but the usual matinees are given. One reason for the success of the new enterprise is that Mayor Speer compels the companies using the theater to play for popular prices. "Municipal Facts" says that Denver's is "the only theater in the United States being managed by a city government, and Denver is securing all sorts of advertising as a result thereof."

If the Rev. Len G. Broughton, of Atlanta, wants \$10,000 for charitable purposes he has only to answer a challenge issued by "Tobacco." That paper, issued at a recent session against cigarettes delivered by the Atlanta evangelist, says: "It within thirty days the Rev. L. G. Broughton will submit to the publishers of 'Tobacco' satisfactory proof, first, that any considerable proportion of the cigarette papers imported to the United States are manufactured in China, and, secondly, that 94 per cent of the leading brands of cigarettes sold in the United States have ever been shown by analysis by reputable analytical chemists to contain arsenic or opium. 'Tobacco' will donate the sum of \$10,000 to any worthy charity that the Rev. L. G. Broughton may designate."

A romance in which King Victor Emmanuel II and the actress Laura Bon were the central figures will be recalled in a book which will soon appear in Italy by an author who hides his identity behind the name "Jarro." The scene of the first chapter is the little town of Casal Monastero: the time 1844. The King was at that time Duke of Savoy and an officer of the garrison, and the beautiful girl whom he abducted was a member of the local theater company. "She was cruelly abandoned," says the reviewer of the book, "but four years later, when the duke had become King, she was once more taken into favor, only to be again deserted. Out of revenge Laura Bon joined a band of conspirators against the King and was hanged. Five years ago she died in Venice, her history unknown and in subject poverty."

"Among all the anecdotes and stories which the fortieth anniversary of the completion of the Suez Canal has called forth, no mention seems to have been made of Goethe's prophetic words on the subject," says a writer in a Vienna paper. "On July 21, 1827, Goethe said to Eckermann: 'So much is certain: If a channel could be cut through the Isthmus of Panama, broad enough and deep enough to allow the passage of ships from the Mexican waters to the Pacific, the whole world would be greatly benefited. I should like to see this, but fear I shall not live long enough. I should like also to see the English build a canal at Suez, but would probably have to live another fifty years.' The canal became a fact forty-two years after Goethe prophesied it."

Jennie Curtin, a poor moulder in a local foundry at West Chester, Pa., has been notified by Truman D. Wade, a West Chester lawyer, that he was one of two heirs to an estate in France worth \$200,000.

Mr. Wade received a letter from a lawyer in Paris asking him to find Dennis and Jeremiah Curtin, who left England in 1834 to come to this region, and acquaint them with the fact that they were the heirs to the residue of an estate left by an uncle. When the Curtin brothers left England they had a uncle who went to Paris to engage in business. They heard nothing from him for years. Jeremiah was last heard from in New York.

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HEART--TRIBUNE'S PAGE FOR WOMEN--HOME



MR. GEORGE TYSON of Alameda was hostess at a large dancing party given last evening at the Claremont Country Club in honor of her daughter, Miss Marie Tyson.

The dance was followed by an elaborate supper. The decorations were arranged in an artistic scheme of red and green, appropriate to the season. The guests included about eight friends from both sides of the bay.

Among those who assisted Mrs. Tyson and her charming daughter in receiving were:

Miss Jean Tyson, San Francisco
Miss Lillian Tyson, San Francisco
Miss Janet Taylor, San Francisco
Miss Meta McManis, San Francisco
Miss Marie Tyson, San Francisco
Miss Lillian Tyson, San Francisco
Miss Janet Taylor, San Francisco
Miss Meta McManis, San Francisco

INTERPRETATIVE STUDIES.
Miss Margaret Kemble of Berkeley will give a series of interpretative studies in modern opera with illustrative piano playing at Ethel Hall on the afternoons of January 12, February 9, March 9 and April 6.

The subjects of the respective lectures will be "Elektra," by Richard Strauss; "Ariadne at Naxos," by Paul Dukas; "Salome," by Richard Strauss, and "The Piper of Dreams," by Frederick Converse. Miss Kemble has recently returned from Germany, where she spent a year in the study of music. Before her departure she gave a series of interpretative studies at the St. Francis in San Francisco, which were enthusiastically received by society.

CECILIA CLUB CAROLS.
The members of the Cecilia Club will enjoy a theater party at the Orpheum, followed by a supper this evening. Then in the wee sma' hours they will join in singing Christmas carols under the windows of their friends. They will be conveyed from house to house in a large vehicle. Those who will join in the caroling will be:

Professor and Mrs. Dornier, Berkeley
Miss Nellie Carpenter, San Francisco
Miss Helen Watson, San Francisco
Miss Cecelia Darling, San Francisco
Miss Clement Condy, San Francisco
Miss Wright, San Francisco
Miss Haddley, San Francisco

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MISS LEAH STUTT, whose engagement to George Herrin is announced.

ed at their home in East Oakland Wednesday evening, the guests enjoying an evening of cards.

Those who partook of the hospitality of the Snow home were:

Miss Elsie Freeman, Berkeley
Miss Edith Bigley, Berkeley
Miss Ann Bigley, Berkeley
Miss W. E. Snow, Berkeley
Miss Edith Snow, Berkeley
Miss May Turner, Berkeley
Miss Elsie Freeman, Berkeley
Miss Edith Bigley, Berkeley
Miss Ann Bigley, Berkeley
Miss W. E. Snow, Berkeley
Miss Edith Snow, Berkeley
Miss May Turner, Berkeley

CHRISTMAS WEDDING.
At a prettily appointed home ceremony tomorrow Miss Sydney Miller will become the bride of Frederick Watson. Only the members of the families and a few close friends of the couple will assemble at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Miller, on Fifteenth street, to witness the marriage ceremony which will be performed by Rev. Charles R. Brown, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

Watson and his bride will reside in Fresno, where the former is engaged in business.

Miss Miller is a gifted violinist and a member of the Frisco Club and Stewart Orchestral Club, and has charmed a number of audiences with her music.

ENTERTAINS PIANO PUPILS.
Miss Alice Johnson entertained her piano pupils at a Christmas party Wednesday afternoon at her home in Peralta Heights. A musical program was followed by a social hour and the serving of delicious refreshments.

The musical numbers for the afternoon were as follows:

1. a-March.....Joseph Lowe
2. a-Minuet in G.....Bach
3. a-Dance.....Holst
4. a-March.....Holt
5. a-Minuet in G.....Bach
6. a-March.....Holt
7. a-Minuet in G.....Bach
8. a-March.....Holt
9. a-Minuet in G.....Bach
10. a-March.....Holt
11. a-Minuet in G.....Bach

CHRISTMAS DINNER.
Mrs. D. D. Yorker and her daughter, Miss Eva Yorker, will be hostesses to a group of a dinner party at their home on Harrison street.

Among their guests will be Dr. and Mrs. Frank L. Goodspeed, Mr. and Mrs. George W. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Howe, Mrs. Gordon Stolp, Mrs. F. P. Low and Miss Bertha Fisher.

Upon their return in the latter part of January Miss Edith Kelley will open a studio in the business section of the city.

TO GO ABOARD.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Dutton, formerly Miss Alice Boegs, whose marriage was an event of Wednesday evening at St. Mark's Church in Berkeley, are spending their honeymoon in Los Angeles, where they are to remain several weeks.

Early in the New Year Mr. and Mrs. Dutton are to leave for an European trip, to remain abroad three or four months.

IN HONOR OF DAUGHTER.
Mr. and Mrs. William F. Rutherford have issued invitations for a dance to be given in honor of their daughter, Miss Hazel Rutherford, December 27 at Piedmont Springs Clubhouse.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA.
A Christmas entertainment will be given tomorrow night by the women of the Fruitvale Christian Church on Fruitvale avenue. A musical program will be given, the chief feature of which will be a cantata in which attractive children will appear in the costumes of various nations.

Among the members of the church who are interested in the success of the affair are: Mrs. R. L. McWhitten, Mrs. R. W. Solos, Mrs. E. K. Caldwell, Mrs. Edward Brown, Mrs. O. S. Dean, Mrs. George Utterback.

FAMILY REUNION.
Dr. and Mrs. O. S. Dean will entertain tomorrow at a Christmas dinner and reunion. Among the guests will be: Mrs. Virginia Vey of San Francisco, who is Mrs. Dean's mother; Mrs. Kate F. Dean of Wisconsin, who is Dr. Dean's mother; Harry Landman of San Francisco; Dr. Wilson of San Francisco; and Mrs. C. Dunning and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Scholes and family, Dr. J. C. Dean and wife, C. Robinson from Idaho and Mrs. G. Neal.

PARTY NEW YEAR'S EVE.
Mrs. Chester Newell will entertain at one of the larger affairs of New Year's eve, having asked a dozen or so of friends to play bridge the early part of the evening and later to welcome the New Year. The affair will be given at the Newell residence in East Oakland.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.
Mrs. H. C. Hamilton of Alameda announces the engagement of her daughter, Miss Edith Grace Hamilton to Howard W. Holmes. The marriage will take place next summer.

Both young people are prominently known in the younger set of the Episcopal city.

DIVORCES PAPA'S CHAFFEUR Weds Again in Three Hours

Silvey Speer Wins Father's Consent to Marriage After a Stormy Scene In Her Home

ATLANTA, Ga.—Married a second time within three hours of getting a divorce from Russell Thomas, her father's chauffeur, with whom she eloped a year ago, Miss Silvey Speer, the beautiful 18-year-old daughter of W. A. Speer, a wealthy and socially prominent resident of this city, was balked of a second elopement and honeymoon trip to New York by the tardy consent to her marriage, which she succeeded in wringing from her parents.

Mrs. Thomas secured her final decree of divorce from Thomas here at 10 o'clock this morning. Ten minutes later she and Marshall McKenzie, 19 years old, secured a license for their marriage. Determined on an immediate elopement, McKenzie had provided an automobile and summoned a clergyman, the Rev. Mr. Bass, but when the latter realized what the circumstances of the contemplated marriage were, and reflected on the notoriety attending Miss Speer's elopement, he declined, in spite of the entreaties of the two young people, not to perform the ceremony.

In the meantime, Mr. Speer, the young girl's father, having got wind of the impending second marriage of his daughter, had hurried from his home to the office where the young couple intended to get their license as fast as his motor car could carry him, but he was too late. McKenzie and Miss Silvey had secured what they wanted. Chagrined, Mr. Speer returned home again, to find there his daughter and young McKenzie, also the Rev. Mr. Bass, whom they had brought with them, in hopes that by obtaining Mr. Speer's consent, they

might remove the clergyman's objections to marrying them.

Bombarded by entreaties of both the young people, Mr. Speer and his wife at last consented to the marriage, whereupon the Rev. Mr. Bass performed the ceremony.

The wedding was a great surprise to the parents of the bride, who had planned to send her away to a girls' finishing school after securing her divorce from Thomas.

Rumors of the impending marriage had reached the ears of Mrs. Speer, Miss Silvey's mother, but she refused to believe them and left the house on a shopping trip.

When the girl's father arrived at his home for luncheon he discovered the maid busily packing her young mistress' trunk.

Questioned by Mr. Speer the maid told all she knew about the impending second marriage. In a fury Mr. Speer locked his daughter's trunk in her room and pocketed the key. Then he made his unsuccessful attempt to prevent the granting of a license.

This parents of McKenzie have informed Mr. Speer by telephone that they had no objections to the match if it had been made with the consent of the Speers.

The bride, it is said, will some day be one of the wealthiest girls in the South, as she will inherit \$1,000,000 left by her grandfather.

Her previous elopement with Thomas, the chauffeur, took place in September, 1908. He courted the girl in the course of daily trips with her in her father's motor car to Washington Seminary, near Atlanta, where she was at school. After the marriage the young girl was "pinned out" of Atlanta without her husband's knowledge and brought to New York, where her mother whisked her away to Europe. Thomas then sued Mr. Speer for \$100,000 for alienating his wife's affections, but found no favor before the court where the case was tried.

After that the girl's parents lost no time in getting proceedings under way for her divorce from her chauffeur husband. When the suit began Thomas was absent in Cuba and entered no defense, causing a rumor to become current that he had been paid a large sum of money to let matters take their course.

Young Mrs. Thomas testified that she had strong suspicions of having been drugged before her first marriage, and that she had been scared into marrying Thomas by his threats to harm her father if she did not consent to become his wife.

Annie Ward Tiffany, Well Known Actress, to Remarry Former Husband



ANNIE WARD TIFFANY.

Annie Ward Tiffany, better known to old-time theatergoers as Biddy Ronan, in "The Shadows of a Great City," is to be remarried to her former husband, Charles C. Green, the theatrical manager, from whom she was divorced some months ago. Thirty years ago the couple were married and their married life seemed to be happy. Nearly five years ago she retired from the stage and settled down in her cottage at Buzzard's Bay, close to the home of the late Joseph Jefferson. Just as she was retiring her friends were surprised to hear that her husband had left her and gone to South America.

Girl Tries to Join the Navy

CHICAGO.—An attempt was made yesterday by Miss Adelaide Portwood of Decatur to enlist in the United States navy in order to be with her sweetheart, who has been ordered to Central America.

When Sergt. Holman reached the recruiting station Miss Portwood, in complete boy's attire, was waiting with an expectant smile.

"Just step in the next room and prepare for the physical examination," directed Sergt. Holman.

Miss Portwood stepped in. Fifteen minutes later, when Sergt. Holman investigated to ascertain the cause of the delayed appearance, an open window told of an escape, and a hapless and perfumed lace handkerchief on the floor told a story of their own.

WOMAN'S HAT SHOCKS MAN FROM A TEN-DAY TRANCE

PHILADELPHIA.—Having been in a state of coma for ten days, Luke Dolan, 24 years old, a patient in the Kings County Hospital, was brought to consciousness yesterday by the shock of seeing a very little woman visitor wearing an enormously big hat enter his ward.

When the young woman entered Dolan's eyelids lifted the merest shade of a fraction of an inch. The hat came nearer, the lids opened further. The hat advanced to within ten feet of the bed. The eyelids opened to their widest extent, and Luke sat up in bed.

"Oh, go! Look what's with us!" he exclaimed in a booming voice, as if all the pent-up energy of weeks had found vent.

Nurses and convalescent patients crowded around to see what had wrought the marvelous change in Dolan's condition. He burst into a spasm of laughter, waved one hand at the hat, and with the other seized an orange. He ate it too—the orange, not the hat. It was his first food since he had entered the hospital.

Dolan was found unconscious on December 4 at President street and No. 400 avenue. Dr. Zelle took him to the hospital. Dolan's eyes were out and his lips and mouth were swollen greatly. Dr. William Best tried various treatments for two days. To see if his patient was sensitive to touch the doctor stuck a needle in Dolan's skin on the second day after his admission.

"Hey! What do you think I am?"

demanded Dolan. But he quickly relapsed into coma. Last night a nurse taking notice of everything around him, "I surely worked hard on that case," said Dr. Best. "If I had guessed that a hat would have cured him, think of all the trouble I could have saved!"

Seeks Divorce From Church Singer on Thirty-Seven Counts

NEW YORK.—The second suit for divorce brought by Edwin E. Martin against Etta H. Martin, prominent church singer and daughter of the Rev. Jay Denison Hamilton, was begun yesterday before Justice Crane of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn. In the complaint thirty-seven specific charges are made against Mrs. Martin and seven co-respondents are named.

Mrs. Martin, 40 years of age, appeared in court with her counsel, J. Arthur Hill. Dressed entirely in black, she carefully took notes during the testimony of her former maid, Mrs. Mary Woods of No. 578 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.

One of the co-respondents, Frank G. Morris, a lawyer, appeared in his own behalf. He intimated it was his intention to cross-examine witnesses whose testimony bore on his conduct. He occupied a seat near Mrs. Martin and frequently conferred with her.

"In March, 1908," said Franklin Taylor of No. 44 Court street, Brooklyn, the

active separated. Shortly thereafter Mrs. Martin took a flat at No. 132 Pacific street, this borough. Martin had reason to suspect his wife because of her conduct while living with him. Soon after the separation he hired men from the Hamburg Detective Agency to shadow the defendant.

"These detectives got rooms in the house where Mrs. Martin lived. We shall produce evidence to show that Frank G. Morris and George A. Higgins spent the night with her frequently."

Mary Woods, the maid, testified that Mr. and Mrs. Martin resided at No. 414 Hanover street, Brooklyn, prior to the separation. Martin, she said, was absent from the city on business during the winters of 1904 and 1905, and during his absence, she testified, Mr. Martin entertained Ferdinand Iglehart, to be son of a Methodist minister in New Jersey, and Frederick Knapp, a stock broker of Manhattan.

MOTHER-LOVE

A youth went from his father's door To seek his fortune far away; And, after years, returned once more To where the peaceful village lay; But, changed by travel, toil and sin, None knew him, none would let him in.

"Till hasten home, for there," said he, "For me the evening hearth shall burn; There, surely, friends will welcome me, And all rejoice at my return."

An unknown face the father scanned, The watchdog bit his outstretched hand. His brother sharply spoke to him; To gaze, his sisters left their chores; Her mother, weak of sight and limb, Beheld him through the open door. She knew him, spite of toil and years, And ran and kissed him through her tears.

Oh, mother-love that through the years Can wait a wanderer's return— Oh, mother-faith and mother-fear, And mother-hopes that brightly burn, Your light can make the world as young As in the days when Homer sung.

—C. K. BINKLEY.

Miss Muriel Killam and Miss Helen Madden announce the opening of their Private Kindergarten January 10, 1910, Paru Street, Alameda, In Harmonie Hall, for children, ages 4-6. Terms, \$5.00 per month. Hours—9-12. Address Miss Helen Madden, 156 Sixteenth Street, Oakland. Telephone—Oakland 6199. Miss Muriel Killam, 1418 Cottage Street, Alameda. Telephone—Alameda 814.

Lifts Woman Out As Runaway Passes

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Gertrude Rasmussen of Mountain avenue, Montclair, N. J., was rescued yesterday from a position of great peril by the quick action of W. L. Mason of St. Luke's place, that town. Mrs. Rasmussen was driving a spirited horse attached to a runaway up the steep hill on Gates avenue, west of South Mountain avenue, and attempted to pass a carriage ahead of hers.

As she did so, an automobile, going at high speed, entered the avenue from Lloyd place. Mrs. Rasmussen, seeing that the three vehicles would reach the same spot about the same time, drove close to the other carriage. The two vehicles locked wheels, and Mrs. Rasmussen's horse started to run, pulling the wheels of the runaway over the rails of the other carriage.

With the carriage tilted to one side, as Mrs. Rasmussen passed the automobile, Mr. Mason, who was sitting in the rear seat of it, caught and lifted her from the wagon. In doing so he was dragged from the automobile, and both tumbled to the street, the woman alighting on top of Mason practically unharmed. Her rescuer sustained bruises and a badly sprained arm. The runaway horse galloped up the avenue and turned short into Lloyd road, upsetting the carriage, which was wrecked. The horse, freed from the vehicle, ran along Lloyd road to Union street, where it was caught.

Irish Women Enter Protest

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Led by Mrs. Ellen Ryan Jolly, Irish women in Rhode Island have uttered a vigorous protest against the adoption of the so-called Paris model of a statue of Commodore John Barry which is to be erected by act of Congress in Washington at a cost of \$50,000.

The design represents the naval hero standing towering over the heads of a group of Fiji Islanders in native dress. A letter of protest has been sent to Senator Wetmore, saying that the model is indecent and a burlesque. The framers of the protest favor the Brooklyn model of the statue, designed by a sculptor named Connors.

The guests will include twelve members of the family circle, Mr. and Mrs. Melville Dozier and their little daughter will be there from Chico. The eldest son of the family will also be a guest, as will Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kinsey and Miss Margaret Moore of Red Bluff.

Mrs. Kinsey returned but a fortnight since from the East, where she spent the autumn weeks.

SEWING CLUB MEETS.

Mrs. Irma Starkey entertained the members of a sewing club yesterday afternoon at her home on Valdez street.

A musical followed the informal hour of needlework.

ENGAGED GIRL COMPLIMENTED.

Miss Leah Stutt, whose engagement to George Herrin was announced Sunday at a shower tendered Miss Alvina Dunn, the fiancée of Charles A. Luedeking, is being generously remembered by her friends with engagement cups and saucers. After the holidays a number of affairs will be given in her honor.

WILL LEAVE MONDAY.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Lemcke and Miss Emmy Lemcke are to leave Monday for the East en route to Europe. They expect to be away six months or more. Their itinerary includes Egypt and the Holy Land and a cruise of several weeks in the Mediterranean. Miss Lemcke has been the recipient of many social attentions prior to her departure, nearly every day last week having been claimed by a hostess who entertained in her honor.

TO WED TOMORROW.

The marriage of Miss Maybelle Parsons and William T. Hale of San Diego

NELSON AND WOLGAST MATCHED AT LOS ANGELES

DURABLE DANE AND STURDY GERMAN TO MEET IN SOUTH

Fighters Come to Terms in Record Time; Tom McCarey Will Be the Promoter and Will Stage the Contest at Vernon

BY EDDIE SMITH.

AFTER having been fed on ten-round no-decision contests for the past year and a half the Los Angeles boxing fans awoke this morning to find that Tom McCarey, the Los Angeles promoter, had slipped them a surprise, a Christmas present in the nature of a real high-class match of forty-five rounds. While many of the lovers of boxing were busy tearing off big chunks of sleep the two Toms, McCarey and Jones, were figuring on the chances of getting Battling Nelson and Ad Wolgast to sign articles. Nelson is in Chicago and Jones at Los Angeles. The men talked over the Hearst leased wire, however, and this makes it possible to talk to Chicago or New York with almost as much ease as speaking over a telephone to your next-door neighbor. Jones and McCarey were surprised when the champion sent word that he would tie up to Wolgast for a match if the latter would post a \$1000 forfeit immediately. Then there was a great squabble to get the money. Jones ran this way and that way until he had secured the necessary forfeit and any one who has tried to collect \$1000 at midnight knows it's not easy. The forfeit money posted, Nelson was again put on the wire and informed that Jones had done his bidding and that he had agreed to allow the forfeit to go as part of a \$5000 side bet.

NELSON ACCEPTS TERMS. Nelson asked the terms McCarey would offer and when informed that he would get \$2000 for his end irrespective of the result he agreed to meet the German boxer. McCarey had secured the best pugilist attraction on the market at the present time in the fact the only better match as a drawing card than the heavy weight championship affair. At present it is hard to say just where the fight will be held in all probability it will be held in the old J. P. Morgan Club arena at Vernon. The city ordinance of Los Angeles prevents the contest being held there as they are only allowed to hold no-decision bouts. McCarey states the contest at Vernon will be in all likelihood held in the Washington Hotel where he would have to stage it in the open air and the open air rights have been given to the city. The fight will be held at 10 o'clock in the afternoon. To stage the Wolgast-Nelson contest it will cost McCarey at least \$10,000 for the money. Wolgast will not doubt take some of the worst of the money matters for the chance at the championship. Jones, however, at least has as much as the Dane. Few big fights have been made a success at

COACH STAGG'S FOOTBALL REVISION PLANS PUT BAN ON FORWARD PASS

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Coach A. A. Stagg yesterday applied the knife to the forward pass in the game of football. The University of Chicago Mentor operated on the forward pass rules with a view to lessening the annual toll of football deaths and injuries and will apply the results to the national conference at next Tuesday's meeting of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association in New York. Coach Stagg's ideas for football revision follow after pulling or pushing of the man carrying the ball in order to prevent mass plays and stuffing with the force of two or three men in a compact line.

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SPRINGFIELD PLAY SCENICS TOMORROW

American Football Game at Grove Park to Be Great Battle

By all odds the biggest American football game to be played in the bay region this season is the struggle scheduled for tomorrow morning between the Springfield and Seaside teams of Berkeley on the State league grounds in Oakland.

The officials of the game were selected at a recent meeting of the Springfield and Seaside club managers held in the Reliance club quarters in Oakland. Wm. Reid, the old time Harvard coach, was given the post of honor as umpire, while Pat O'Day will take care of the play on the field. The time keepers will be Billie Middleton and Ole Snedegar, former Blue and gold stars, men who have excelled in like capacity at a number of prominent matches.

The Springfield lineup for the most part is recruited from first class Rugby talent at the University of California. Cal Huffer, captain of the 1900 Blue and Gold Rugby squad, is the star collection in the lineup, while some more California men are Harris, Hilly, Carpenter, Freeman and Twitchell, all a credit to the Rugby game, and anxious to work just as hard for the good old state football. The Seaside College have been given the places of honor on the team, and are backed up in great fashion by the regular Springfield clubmen headed by Kern. Kern, by the way, helped Stanford out a lot when the Cardinal was making a specialty of the old game, and later he lost his fortunes with the Springfield club.

SCENIC PLAYERS. The Seaside card of players is no less attractive. One of the stars is young Ince, the fast Berkeley high back, who brought the championship to the Crimson and Gold almost single handed this season. This is Ince's last appearance here as he goes to Dartmouth for a term, preparatory to entering Michigan, where he will try out for the varsity eleven. Backing the fast Berkeley high back are Sinclair, Miller, Captain Hartley and one or two other Crimson and Gold men, members of the championship team this year or in seasons past. The Seaside players are back in the Seaside position. These fast lads have graced these positions for the Seaside in seven of the twelve years the club has been playing

football, and a big improvement is noted in their play each year.

The two prize beauties of the Seaside team, however, are "Bull" Chambers, whose work at Stanford is still a living issue at the Fresno Alto university, and Laumiller, one of the creamiest backs known in the history of the game.

These two men are given the positions of honor on the Seaside team, and that makes them the stars of the game. They are ready to perfect a whole barrel full of trick plays.

DOWN TO WEIGHT. The Springfield men have secured the quarters of the Reliance club in Oakland as an eating up place, and quite a bit of the conditioning work for the team was done there. Coach Dave McAndrews says the men are down to weight, and that the conditioning work for the team was done there.

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BATTILING NELSON, champion lightweight of the world, who has agreed to meet the Milwaukee newboy, Adolph Wolgast, at Los Angeles.



HAMPER, THE RANK OUTSIDER, WINS SALINAS HANDICAP, WIRE TO WIRE

(By LEE DEMIER.)

The talent started off on the right side of the ledger by putting Silk over in the curtain raiser. The Yellow Tail filly ran over her field in the stretch like if they were all tied to a post, winning as she pleased. Fiddle of Lamore was an easy second from Cantem. A Directoire, with Cavanaugh up, was the good thing that went glimmering.

The layers were given a solar plexus blow when Chaffily, backed from 12 to 1 down to 5's at post time, won the second race. The horse was slow to get going the first part, but Mentry nursed the colt along till the run for home when he shook off Gossamer, winning with something to spare. The latter closed well and had enough left to stall off Little Buttercup for the place.

The unbeaten Fossaire demonstrated again that she is a mare of some class when she walked away from her field in the race over the mile and twenty yards affair. The chestnut gelding by Hamburg just laughed at the field behind her the entire distance. Bishop W, whom the layers had picked to win, was the only one who placed, but he was beaten out by Fiddle. The latter is improving and will win a race the next time out.

Dr. Mayer, the winner of the fifth race, moved up fast at the three-furlong pole and, taking the lead on eighth out, held his field safe all the final hundred yards. Sink Spring, who made up an acre of ground, finished a bang up second. Stead closed with rush. Jack Crane's Belmore closed a winner three furlongs from home but stopped when the real racing took place.

It was Mentry's mastery ride that won for Elmidae in the closing race. No Quarter, the favorite, went all to pieces at the finish. It was said after the race that Elmidae's change was backed from 6's to 5's at post time. Special Delivery had a load of Christmas packages to carry to the races yesterday. It may be that the weight anchored him.

Blacksmith Billy Welch of Emeryville has turned up at Juarez. A number of new layers will make their appearance on "Silent row" Christmas day. Says George H. Smith, who has charge of the advanced information department.

Superintendent James Grant said yesterday that he will have a 1.23 track Saturday. Jockey McIntyre is here from Juarez, Mexico. The noted rider is as light as ever.

The Supreme Court yesterday dismissed the petition for a rehearing in the case of Frank O'Shea, who was convicted for violating the anti-gambling law. The petition was filed by Attorney Carroll Cook on October 27. The dismissal of the petition by the Supreme Court was based on the decision of the case by the Court of Appeals, which held that the law was constitutional. No decision was rendered.

Attorney Carroll Cook said last night that the dismissal of the petition does not mean that the case against O'Shea is as light as ever.

Bookies Heavy Losers: TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 24.—Bookies are gradually wearing the bookies down, the silent and the quiet being the heaviest of the meeting. Dayvont rode three winners and is out of the big picture class, having ridden twenty-five winners at this meeting.

Women in Ice Swim: PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 24.—Twenty Multnomah Amateur Athletic Club swimmers, including four women, are entered in the Christmas day swim in the Willamette river, to be held under the auspices of the club. The course is about 1200 feet. The swimmers will make the plunge from launches, and land on a platform at the end of the course.

Delphin's Annual Run: The Delphin Swimming and Boating Club's cross-country run takes place next Sunday, December 30, to the Cliff House. A Delphin chorale, served under the direction of George Betrand, will follow the swim.

Olympic New Year's Run—Commissioner John C. Suttle of the Olympic Club athletic committee has appointed N. J. Prendergast, M. G. Pratt and J. L. C. Stewards to assist in conducting the annual New Year's run and outing to the beach on January 2. A feature of the affair this year will be the taking of morning pictures by the passenger department of the Southern Pacific, the pictures to be shown in all the eastern cities as a demonstration of midwinter recreation in California.

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DEAL IS UNDER WAY FOR EIGHT CLUB CIRCUIT IN COAST LEAGUE

Northwesterners Will Have Team in Portland

PORTLAND, Oregon, December 24.—That the Northwestern Baseball League will play a team in Portland in 1910, and that in consideration for that privilege Seattle and Spokane will have Coast League teams in and after 1911, is the way those who claim to be baseball wise have figured out the situation in this section of the baseball world.

Until recently the reason for the cheerful assurance of Judge McCredie, owner of both Portland teams, and of David E. Dugdale, the Seattle magnate, that all would come out right in the long run has been beyond explanation.

Within the past few days, however, there has been disclosed almost positive evidence that negotiations of some such character are under way—in fact, Dugdale admits this, but declares that his lips are sealed.

CAT LET OUT OF THE BAG. Manager Brown of Spokane let the cat out of the bag in a fashion, when, uninvited, he suggested on Wednesday the placing of Coast League teams in Spokane and Seattle as a solution of the perplexing question, only to have this suggestion endorsed a day later by 24 reporters without further protest.

President Joseph A. Cohn of the Spokane Club seemed to be aware of the eight-club proposition, but like Judge McCredie, he opposes placing the balance of power in California. Cohn, however, refused to commit himself unless he had had a talk with Dugdale and Manager George E. Schrader of Tacoma.

As understood here, the California end of the Coast League wants Seattle and Spokane in addition to Portland, but is opposed to placing a club in any other northern city.

Seattle and Spokane, it is well known, want a higher class of baseball than class "B." Portland is essential to this higher rating, but Portland is in the Coast League territory, and in order to get better baseball, and in order to get better baseball, it would appear, Spokane and Seattle are willing to come into the Coast League field, providing the Coast League will place a fourth team in the north.

Some knowledge of such a scheme is manifest from a message from Washington, D. C., in which the Ju-jitsu is quoted, in substance, as saying: "I have no objections to an eight-team league, but I want the league evenly balanced; that is, four clubs in the north and four in the south."

Joe Jeannette Believes Jack Johnson Will Win

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Joe Jeannette, the negro heavyweight who recently fought a thirty-round draw with Sam McVey in Paris, is back in New York for the holidays. He is confident that he will beat Jeffries in the championship bout next summer.

"Joe Johnson is a much over-rated fighter," added Jeannette. "I am quite sure that I could whip him. I have fought him several times. Once he got a decision in a fifteen-round fight; but I fought him and the other scraps were all draws."

Abe Attell Sees More Easy Money in Mowatt

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Abe Attell, champion featherweight pugilist of the world, and Tommy Mowatt, of Kansas City, will box ten rounds Monday night at catch weights. Mowatt has been out of the ring for four years.

Monte Attell vs. Carroll—Monte Attell and his manager, Harry Foley, left for Portland, Ore., today, to meet Jimmy Carroll before Jack Grant's Rose City Club on the 29th of the month in a ten-round contest.

World's Series Certain, Says Garry Herrmann

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 24.—President Herrmann of the Cincinnati Club said yesterday that "Nothing will be allowed to interfere with the usual world's championship series—not even the desire to experiment with a schedule comprising 165 games."

"The people of the East need not worry about the world's championship series—they are going to be played next fall. I would like to play them in next fall," said Herrmann.

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LANDING BEARING

HARBOR DREDGING WILL BE DELAYED

Congressman Knowland Explains That Key Route Basin Must Wait

In response to resolutions recently

"I wish to acknowledge receipt of several resolutions passed by the Western Water Front League relative to the dredging of the proposed channel in the Key Route basin.

"In reply I will state that under the rules of Congress no appropriation can be made for any project unless a survey has first been made by Government engineers and a project determined upon.

mentenda ion must be approved by the chief board of engineers and also by a reviewing board. When the reports are all favorable, then Congress may make an appropriation.

"A few surveys for Oakland harbor were ordered last year, but did not include the Key Route basin, as the matter had not come up to that time been called to the attention of your congressional delegation.

"Very truly yours,"

"J. R. KNOWLAN."

THREE TEACHERS

UP TO STANDARD

Small Number Pass Examina- tions Owing to Their Severity

Of the eighteen applicants for teaching certificates but three passed the examination just finished under the direction of Count Superintendent of Schools "Rick."

Under the new rule recently adopted by the County Board of Education, examinations are now begun on Monday morning, and the remainder of the examination begins on the following Monday, which gives the teachers an opportunity to give the students in about the middle of the examination.

With reference to the result of the examination just closed Superintendent H. B. Anderson has advised that the results given by the County Board of Education were "air but severe, the object being to raise the standard of efficiency required to insure a certificate."

RECEIVE FLORAL GIFTS

Fragrant baskets and gardens of flowers, embodying a wide variety of beautiful host house plants, will be presented to the ward patients of Providence, Fabiola and Merritt hospitals tomorrow morning with the compliments of X. G. Manu-4, J. P. Edoff and W. S. Soule—members of the Oakland Park Community.

The floral offerings will be secured from the national conservation at the head of Lake Merritt and will be accompanied by plants and greenery. Each basket will wear a Christmas greeting, embossed on gaily decorated cards.

REMA ACQUITTED OF THE ASSAULT CHARGE

Antoine Rema, accused of an assault with a deadly weapon on J. H. "Bitter" an employee of the Model Dairy, was discharged by Police Judge Smith this morning on the grounds of insufficient evidence. Rema was alleged to have hit Potter over the head with an iron bar during a dispute about milk. The testimony tended to show that Rema acted in self defense.

FINDS WIFE IN OWN HOME WITH AFFINITY

Allan Fralick's testimony in his suit for a divorce from his wife was to the effect that one night he caught defendant in a room with Jack Bergman, her alleged lover, in another part of the house the couple occupied at that time on T-gramm street. Fralick's presence in the room at the Roslyn apartment and an account of the suit published last evening made it appear that the incident occurred in these apartments. This is an unjust reflection upon the moral atmosphere of the Roslyn, inadvertently arising from a confusion of localities in the recorded testimony. Fralick, it is understood, never lived with his wife at

**CLAREMONT PARK CO.
LOSES IN A LAW SUIT**

The Claremont Park Company has lost its suit against Judge Mohr of the Superior court. Judge Mohr of the Superior court has decided that the Claremont Park Company's building restriction is not less than \$3500, and has claimed that the restriction is not less than \$3500. The latter proved the satisfaction of the court by expert witnesses that his residence cost him more than \$3500.

TELEGRAPH HILL GANG
HAS BEEN REORGANIZED

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 24.—That the gang of rowdies who infested Telegraph Hill before the fire have put in a new plan of organization is evidenced, this morning by the firing of two shots from that direction. Sergeant Mathies and an Irish policeman, Connor and Downey, who are the neighborhood cops, were unable to locate the man responsible.

The firing of revolver shots in the night to worry the police was a common pastime for hoodlums in the old days.

WIFE WANTS DIVORCE
AND BABY DAUGHTER

Claiming that her husband deserted her at Sacramento almost immediately after marriage, she there in November, 1906, Beagle B. De Bole brought suit in the Superior Court this forenoon for divorce from John E. De Bole, a permanent custody of their infant daughter.

SAYS WIFE DESERTED HIM.
Pe or Beck instituted suit in the Superior Court today for a divorce from Maggie Beck, alleging willful desertion.

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